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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECTS: GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA SEEKS LOANS FROM
WORLD BANK TO FINANCE VARIOUS DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

REFERENCE: WORLD BANK MONTHLY OPERATION SUMMARY

1. LOAN FUNDS TO PARTIALLY FINANCE FIVE MAJOR DEVELOPMENTAL
PROJECTS, ARE BEING SOUGHT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA FROM THE
INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT (IBRD).
THESE ARE:

A. REHABILITATION OF THE SUGAR INDUSTRY

THE SUGAR INDUSTRY AUTHORITY (SIA) HAS PUT FORWARD A PLAN FOR
REHABILITATION OF THE SUGAR INDUSTRY AT A COST OF US\$100 MILLION
OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS. A PRE-APPRAISAL TEAM FROM THE WORLD
BANK HAS HAD TALKS WITH THE SIA AND THAT ORGANIZATION IS NOW
AWAITING THE IBRD'S RESPONSE AS TO WHETHER IT WILL PARTICIPATE
OR NOT. THE SIA HAS ALSO APPROACHED THE COMMONWEALTH
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR FUNDS TO HELP FINANCE THE PROJECT.
THE THINKING IS THAT IF THE IBRD DECIDES TO FINANCE REHABILITATION
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OF THE FACTORIES, THEN CDC WOULD PARTICIPATE IN THE REHABIL-
ITATION OF SUGAR CANEFIELDS. THE EXACT AMOUNT OF THE LOAN
BEING SOUGHT BY THE SIA HAS NOT YET BEEN DETERMINED. IN ANY
CASE THIS LOAN WILL HAVE TO BE GUARANTEED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF
JAMAICA.

B. JAMAICA DEVELOPMENT BANK FARM IMPROVEMENTS

NEGOTIATIONS FOR A US\$10 MILLION LOAN ARE UNDERWAY BETWEEN THE JAMAICA DEVELOPMENT BANK AND IBRD. THE LOAN IS TO HELP FINANCE ON-FARM IMPROVEMENTS FOR A NUMBER OF AGRICULTURAL VENTURES. PREVIOUSLY THE FINANCING WAS TO HAVE BEEN FOR COCONUTS, CITRUS, LIVESTOCK AND AGRO-INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT. TOTAL COST OF THE PROJECT IS ESTIMATED AT US\$22 MILLION AND IS TO BE KNOWN AS AGRICULTURAL CREDIT III. THE LOAN FOR US\$10 MILLION IS FOR FOREIGN INPUTS INCLUDING MACHINERY, FARM BUILDING SUPPLIES AND FERTILIZERS. SOME DETAILS ON THE LOAN ARE STILL TO BE IRONED OUT, BUT THE JDB EXPECTS TO HEAR FROM THE WORLD BANK WITHIN ANOTHER MONTH OR TWO, WHETHER THIS LOAN WILL BE GRANTED OR NOT.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, U.S. SUPPLIERS SHOULD CONTACT:

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C. JAMAICA PUBLIC SERVICE LOAN

A REQUEST FOR A LOAN OF US\$20 MILLION FROM THE IBRD BY THE JAMAICA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY HAS BEEN APPRAISED BY A TEAM FROM THE BANK. THE LOAN IS BEING SOUGHT TO HELP FINANCE A POWER TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION PROJECT WHICH IS EXPECTED TO COST OVER US\$45 MILLION. THE APPLICATION IS TO BE PLACED BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BANK AND A REPLY IS EXPECTED

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WITHIN THREE MONTHS. ABOUT US\$22.1 MILLION IS TO BE USED TO PROCURE ITEMS NOT AVAILABLE LOCALLY.

D. SMALL FARMER ASSISTANCE

A PROPOSAL FOR A LOAN OF US\$15 MILLION IS TO BE PLACED BEFORE THE DIRECTORS OF THE WORLD BANK. THE LOAN IS BEING RAISED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA THROUGH THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE. AN APPRAISAL TEAM FROM THE BANK LOOKED INTO THE PROJECT IN DECEMBER AND THE MINISTRY IS NOW AWAITING AGREEMENT BY THE IBRD BOARD. TOTAL COST OF THE PROJECT IS US\$31.4 MILLION AND IS FOR ASSISTANCE TO SMALL FARMERS THROUGH LAND SETTLEMENT AND RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE WORKS SUCH AS WATER SUPPLIES, MARKETS AND FEEDER ROADS.

E. EDUCATION III

THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION IS FORMULATING PROJECT CONTENT AND SO FAR, THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT IS IN ITS PRE-PLANNING STAGE.

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